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FOR: USDOC/CRD - DAVID SULLIVAN

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SUBJ: REGIONAL SEMINAR FOR FSL COMMERCIAL SPECIALISTS

1. NAIROBI WELCOMES OPPORTUNITY TO HOST SEMINAR WEEK OF NOV 7TH. NO MAJOR CONFERENCES PRESENTLY SCHEDULED IN NOV, HOWEVER BOOKINGS SHOULD BE MADE AS EARLY AS POSSIBLE. ONLY KNOWN EVENT POSSIBLY IN CONFLICT WOULD BE HOTEL & REST EQUIP CATALOG SHOW (DATES UNCERTAIN). THESE TWO EVENTS SHOULD BE PLANNED NOT TO OVERLAP.

2. EMB CONFERENCE ROOM OF USIS EXHIBIT HALL COULD BE USED, BUT ARE CLEARLY LESS DESIRABLE THAN HOTEL FACILITIES. EMB RATE FOR SINGLES AT HILTON IS \$24. GROUP RATE AT INTERCONTINENTAL FOR SINGLES IS \$30. BOTH OFFER FREE CONFERENCE FACILITIES TO RESIDENT GROUPS. TWICE DAILY COFFEE/TEA SERVICE FOR GROUP OF 20 (ONE WEEK) TOTALS ABOUT \$145 AT INTERCON AND \$180 AT HILTON.

3. VISAS ARE REQUIRED BUT SHOULD BE NO PROBLEM FOR SEMINAR PARTICIPANTS. EMB STRONGLY RECOMMENDS OBTAINING VISA IN ADVANCE THRU LOCAL KENYA OR BRITISH EMBASSY. AIRPORT VISA SHOULD BE LAST RESORT. VISA APPLICATIONS FOR SOUTH AFRICAN OR RHODESIAN PASSPORT HOLDERS ARE ALSO UNCLASSIFIED

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MADE AT LOCAL KENYA OR BRITISH EMBASSY, BUT ARE FORWARDED TO NAIROBI FOR DECISION. OUTCOME IS NOT ENTIRELY PREDICTABLE BUT VISA MAY BE APPROVED FOR EVENT SUCH AS THIS. A COVER LETTER FULLY EXPLAINING CIRCUMSTANCES OF VISIT SHOULD ACCOMPANY REQUEST AND EARLY APPLICATION IS RECOMMENDED. MARSHALL

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